Mountain Weather Forecast

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Saturday 14 Jan 2023 until 23:59 on Sunday 15 Jan 2023

Forecast Issued on Friday 13 Jan 2023 at 16:30 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for unsettled conditions with rain or showers at times, falling as snow on higher ground at first and to lower levels from Sunday. Lower for detail of rain and showers.

Headline for Saturday 14 Jan 2023: Mostly cloudy with snow at first turning showery, some heavy, towards afternoon.

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 14 Jan 2023

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Medium Likelihood

Poor visibility
Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Light snow	Light snow	Light snow showers (night)	Light snow showers	Light snow showers	Heavy snow showers	Heavy snow showers (night)	Heavy snow showers (night)
Precipitation probability							
60%	30%	30%	30%	50%	70%	60%	40%

Forecast for Saturday 14 Jan 2023

Weather: Cloudy with periods of rain and hill snow overnight. Cloud, rain and hill snow soon clear to give a brief dry and bright spell in the morning. Cloud and snow showers then spread south becoming heavy and merging into longer periods of snow at times from the afternoon.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: Nil in early rain and snow, 30% through the morning.

Low Cloud and visibility: Extensive cloud will accompany the rain and hill snow with base 600-800m, falling to 500m in rain and snow. Away from this rain band, showers will be accompanied by broken cloud with 600-800m base, lowering in any showers. The visibility will remain good out of the cloud but will fall poor or very poor in rain or snow.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	35/43 SE	38/46 SE	27/33 S	28/34 S	29/37 S	23/30 S	21/27 N	24/29 NW	32/41 N
900	24/32 SE	25/32 SE	18/24 S	19/25 S	20/27 S	16/22 S	13/19 NW	15/20 NW	19/26 N
600	32/38 SE	34/41 SE	24/30 S	24/29 S	24/31 S	17/23 S	13/18 N	13/18 W	19/26 N
300	18/26 SE	19/29 SE	12/19 S	11/18 S	13/19 S	11/18 S	8/12 NW	7/13 NW	10/15 NW
Glen	5/16 SE	11/25 SE	7/16 S	8/18 SW	9/18 SW	8/18 SW	7/15 NW	8/15 NW	7/17 N

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-4/-14	-4/-14	-3/-12	-4/-13	-4/-13	-4/-13	-4/-12	-5/-14	-5/-15
900	-2/-10	-2/-10	-1/-8	-2/-9	-2/-10	-2/-9	-2/-8	-3/-9	-3/-10
600	2/-5	2/-5	1/-5	0/-6	0/-7	0/-6	-0/-6	-1/-6	-1/-7
300	3/-2	3/-3	3/-1	2/-2	2/-3	2/-2	1/-2	1/-2	1/-3
Glen	4/3	5/1	5/2	4/0	4/1	4/1	3/0	3/-0	3/0
Freezing Level*	700m	700m	700m	600m	500m	500m	500m	400m	400m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Nothing to add.

Forecast for Sunday 15 Jan 2023
Weather: Early cloud and showers clear towards dawn. This leaves a mostly dry day with bright or sunny spells, cloud will however thicken in the west and north as snow showers spread east from the evening.

Maximum wind: North 25-30mph gust 40mph decreasing north or northeast 5-10mph later.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 80%.

Low Cloud and visibility: Much or the day will see patchy cloud with base 700-900m, this cloud becomes extensive with the cloud lowering 400-500m in any showers. The visibility will be good, lowering to poor in any showers and very poor in any snow.

Temperature: **Glens:** Minus 1 Celsius rising plus 5 Celsius.
At 800m: Minus 5 Celsius.
Freezing level: 200m.

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